

Chapter 5.66

MOTION PICTURE THEATERS

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5.66.010 License—Required.

It is unlawful to give, present or conduct any motion picture or theatrical, for admission to which a fee is charged, excepting performances given solely for the benefit of and under the supervision of a religious, educational or charitable organization, without having first secured a license therefor as is provided in this chapter.

5.66.020 License—Application.

Applications for such licenses shall state, in addition to any other information required, the place of the intended performance and the seating capacity thereof.

5.66.030 License—Fees.

A. Any person securing an annual license for motion pictures or theatricals, naming a specific place, building or auditorium/theater within a building housing more than one auditorium/theater where the performances are to be presented, may present therein any number of performances, including theatricals, during the year for which the license was secured, upon payment of the required fees.

B. In addition to the general license fee, the license fee for the license required in this chapter shall be based upon the number of movie screens at the place of amusement pur-

suant to the fee schedule adopted pursuant to section 5.06.050.

5.66.040 Activities on unlicensed premises—Fee.

For motion pictures and theatricals that are to be presented in premises that are not covered by such license fee, the fee to be paid shall be \$10 per day per stage/screen; provided, that no such motion picture or theatrical shall be presented in or on any premises or building that does not fully comply with the requirements of this code relating to public gatherings and to the maintenance of buildings used for these purposes.

5.66.050 Building code requirements.

It is unlawful to present any public motion picture in any building or structure which does not contain the number of exits required by the city's building code, or by the statutes of the state, concerning buildings or places intended for motion picture performances, or in premises in which the electrical wiring does not fully comply with these ordinances. All places used for the exhibition of theatricals must be kept adequately ventilated during the performance, and for so long a time as the audience remains therein.

5.66.060 Nonflammable scenery required.

It is unlawful to use any scenery in any theater other than nonflammable scenery or such as shall have been rendered nonflammable by the application of fire-preventive coatings.

5.66.070 Crowding limitations.

It is unlawful to permit any person, excepting ushers or other theater employees, to remain standing in a hall or room in which a motion picture is presented during the time of such performance; and it is unlawful to admit to any such hall more persons than can be accommodated by the seating arrangements of the premises.

5.66.080 Exits—Obstruction prohibited.

It is unlawful to obstruct or permit the obstruction of any aisles, corridors or exits leading from the room or enclosure in which a motion picture performance or theatrical is being given, or in which an audience for such a performance is gathered.

5.66.090 Compliance with laws.

All businesses owning or operating motion picture theaters shall comply with the applicable city ordinances and state criminal statutes governing the distribution, sale, exhibition or showing of pornographic films or other literature.